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OPTIMIZING RETURN AND PRESENT

**VALUE** 

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## STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

SIR:

The above-identified patent application was filed on December 14, 2000. Since that time, nothing has been received indicating action on this application. We respectfully request a status inquiry on the above-identified patent application. A copy of this request is enclosed for the purpose of reporting the results of the status inquiry.

Respectfully submitted,

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